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FOR: LINEAR PEPTIDES DERIVED FROM ANTIBIOTIC PEPTIDES, PREPARATION AND USE FOR VECTORTING ACTIVE SUBSTANCES

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

This paper is in response to the September 24, 2002, Office Action in the above-identified patent application. Since a Response was due on or before December 24, 2002, a petition for a three-month extension of time accompanies this Response. With the three-month extension, this Response is due on or before March 24, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19904-009.

In response to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.